



WHAT'S MY STORY?

I BELONGED TO A LITTLE BOY WHO LATER SERVED IN WORLD WAR I.

Twelve-year-old LeRoy Hampton (Hammy) Bland won "Jimmy" at a Cynthiana carnival in 1910. He was similar to other dolls of his day with head and hands made of a hard, molded composite material, and a body made of softer material. Hammy and his older brothers, Clyde and Charles, served in World War I. When they left, their mother, Lillie, dressed "Jimmy" in this military-style uniform, perhaps to honor her sons or out of patriotism. "Jimmy" has the distinction of having won several top ribbons in antique doll shows.

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